

HOME AND COUNTY.

The Colosse Church.

There will be a Festival and Oyster Supper at the Colosse Baptist church, Tuesday evening, Dec. 23d, 1873, to aid in the repairs of the church. An earnest invitation is given to all to attend and help.

The church will be re-dedicated Tuesday, Dec. 30th, 1873. The exercises will commence at 1 o'clock p. m. Rev. I. Butterfield, of Oswego, is invited to preach the dedication sermon. There will also be a sermon in the evening. All are cordially invited to attend and take part in the exercises.

The committee would take this opportunity to tender their grateful acknowledgments to all for their good wishes and material aid in the arduous work of repairing the church.

By Order Committee of Arrangements.

Oswego County Medical Society.

The semi-annual meeting of the Oswego County Medical Society was held at the Hamilton House in the city of Oswego, on Tuesday, Dec. 9th, 1873.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. J. D. Bulkley. There were present the following members: Drs. J. D. Bulkley, Sandy Creek; C. N. Cooley, Hamilton; C. C. P. Clark, A. S. Cog, C. MacFarlane, B. DeWitt, J. K. Stockwell, Oswego; D. A. Lawrence, F. S. Low, Pulaski; G. P. Johnson, A. White, Mexico; Ed. P. Kelley, Sand Bank; L. L. Jones, Minetto; J. P. Peto, West Ambury; C. G. Bacon, Fulton; D. I. Whyborn, Cleveland; Geo. W. Snyder, Scriba.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Low introduced to the society Dr. Kelley of Albany.

On motion of Dr. Clark, the President was instructed to offer to the State Medical Society the assistance of this society, so far as necessary, towards the transactions of the State Medical Society.

The Secretary read a communication from the State Society's Committee on Hygiene, requesting the appointment of a committee from this society, to collect and forward to them hygienic statistics. Action thereon was deferred until the annual meeting.

On motion of Dr. DeWitt, the regular order of business was suspended and Dr. Cooley made a report of several cases of cerebrospinal meningitis which had occurred in his practice.

Drs. DeWitt, Clark, Cog, Low and others discussed the subject of spotted fever.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Dr. Cooley for his excellent and interesting paper.

Dr. Stockwell read a paper on "Injuries of the Corns and their Treatment," and Dr. Low, MacFarlane, Clark and Whyborn entered into a discussion of that subject. On motion of Dr. Low, a vote of thanks was tendered to Dr. Stockwell. The society then adjourned for dinner.

Real Estate Sales.

Henry Day to George Day, 2 13-100 acres in Redfield; Consideration, \$213; November, 1872.

Sarah Streator, Eliza Dimick, Dezhia Steele and Martha L. Hunter to George Day, 2 6-100 acres in Redfield, \$206; October, 1873.

Charles Jones to Alfred Jones, 38 acres in West Monroe, \$500; November, 1872.

Charles Jones to Alfred Jones 35 acres in West Monroe, \$1,200; November, 1872.

Polly M. Minckler to Catharine Simpson, 3 7-10 acres in Hastings, \$1,000; April, 1873.

Daniel G. Dorrance to John Boves, 31 acres in Redfield, \$155; October, 1865.

John Mason Jr., to Elizabeth S. Fisk, 55 acres in New Haven, \$600; December, 1865.

Abel M. Gillespie to Caroline Wrightman, 60-100 of an acre in Parish, \$150; September, 1873.

George W. Johnson to Henry Burleigh, 1 acre in Palermo, \$200; March, 1868.

Reuben R. Burke to George W. Johnson, 1 acre in Palermo, \$125; December, 1865.

BOOKS MISSING.—The Superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday-school of this village earnestly requests all persons, either in or out of the school, who have copies of the "Silver Song," to return them at once. There are twenty-five missing. They must be somewhere.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.—Thursday next being Christmas, and wishing our hands to enjoy that day, we shall go to press Wednesday afternoon; hence we shall want all advertisements designed for next week's issue to reach us not later than Tuesday evening.

LAMPS.—Best assortment in town at WADSWORTH'S.

Death of Dr. Holmes.

The following is taken from the La Porte (Ind.) Herald of Nov. 22. Rev. David Holmes is brother of Rev. B. Holmes, of this village:

Rev. David Holmes died at his residence at Battle Ground, on Friday evening of last week, of paralysis. The deceased was born in Newburg, N. Y., in 1801. In 1834 he entered upon the work of the ministry in the Methodist Episcopal church, in the Oneida Conference. He was regarded as one of the most popular and effective men of his Conference. He was appointed to the office of Presiding Elder for thirteen years in succession. He was twice a member of the General Conference and assisted in the election of the present senior Bishop of the church—Bishop James. He was for several years connected with Cazenovia seminary, N. Y. In 1857 or 1858 he was transferred to the Southern Illinois Conference, and was appointed to one of the chairs in McKendree college at Lebanon, Ill. In 1861 he was transferred to the Northwest Indiana Conference, and stationed at LaPorte; from there he went to Delphi. While there he was called to take charge of the Battle Ground Institute, which position he filled with honor to himself and profit to the school. While there he was elected to the Presidency of the Northern Indiana college at South Bend. During his term of service at that place he frequently expressed a great desire to enter again upon the work of the pastorate; accordingly, after a two year's stay at South Bend, he went in succession to the following churches as pastor: Greenacres, Brookston, Monticello, and Battle Ground. He was a ripe scholar, an instructive minister, a profound thinker, and a successful writer. He leaves a wife and two children—a son and daughter.

FARM FOR SALE.

The undersigned offers for sale her farm, situated about a 1/2 mile north of the Catholic church, in the town of Mexico. Said farm contains about 75 acres, together with a house (nearly new), two barns, corn house, &c. The farm is in a good state of cultivation, has two wells, and a creek running through it. Will be sold on reasonable terms.

JOSEPHINE HUMBERT.

Colosse, Dec. 17, 1873.

Tea for 25 cents.
Tea for 50 cents.
Tea for 75 cents.
Tea for 100 cents.
Tea for 125 cents.

Green Teas, Black Teas,
And the best Teas in the market at
6 WADSWORTH'S.

NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the Oswego County Agricultural Society, for the election of Officers for the ensuing year, will be held at the Mayo House, in the village of Mexico, on Wednesday, Dec. 24th, 1873, at 12 o'clock, noon.

HENRY L. BARTON, Sec'y.
Mexico, Nov. 29th, 1873.

THINK OF IT.—We clip the following from a neighboring exchange, the truth and good sense of which the reader may judge: "The business firms of Syracuse are advertising more extensively than ever before, demonstrating the fact that advertising is the only way to draw business, and in many instances it has the effect to take money from home when it might be retained if our business men advertised a little more extensively. Let the people know that you have large stocks of goods or wares and are selling them as low if not lower than Syracuse prices. Make a show through the paper and by handbills, &c., and you will find it a paying investment. When money is scarce people will look to see where they can buy the cheapest, and they have learned to gain their knowledge from printed matter. Don't let our place be outdone by our neighbor."

Dr. Peto was requested to read a paper at the annual meeting on the subject of "Belladonna as an antidote to opium. It is reliable."

Drs. Clark and Low were appointed examiners for the annual meeting. The society adjourned to meet at Pulaski, the second Tuesday in June, 1874.

J. K. STOCKWELL, M. D.,
Secretary.

Rate of Taxation.

The following shows the number of cents and fraction thereof which taxpayers in the city and towns will be required to pay on each dollar of assessment, for 1873, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors:

Albion, 2.594; Ambor, 4.203; Boylston, 2.783; Constantia, 4.63; Granby, 2.486; Hannibal, 2.84; Hastings, 3.777; Mexico, 2.436; New Haven, 1.845; Orwell, 2.72; Oswego, 2.004; Oswego city, West side, 2.922; Oswego city, East side, 2.757; Palermo, 2.883; Parish, 4.273; Redfield, 3.157; Richland, 3.076; Sandy Creek, 2.69; Schreppel, 2.385; Scriba, 1.693; Volney, 3.535; West Monroe, 4.278; Williamstown, 3.262.—Times.

PARISH.

The Sunday-school Institute recently held in this place was a very social affair. A friendly feeling was manifested throughout the meeting. There were some failures in carrying out the programme on account of the absence of some of the speakers. Rev. Mr. Hicks, of Sandy Creek, who was appointed to address the Institute on Monday evening, was detained on account of sickness in his family. Of course, what was said did not accord with everybody's theological views, but the modern world has taken the liberty to differ on these points and be friendly likewise, and we can say heartily we are glad of it. The world is growing wiser under such a state of things. If we were permitted to advocate only one class of religious views, the world's progress would be very slow. When we look back to the dark ages, we discover that only one class of religious views was tolerated, and as a consequence there were no improvements either morally, socially or mechanically. Toleration appears to be the keystone of all improvements. We agree with the sentiment of Rev. Dr. Lore, editor of the Northern Christian Advocate, that a church in a place should be the joint stock of the good and pure in the place; hence we prefer not to use a sectarian name when speaking of a church. If the sentiment of Dr. Lore should be carried into practice throughout the country or world, mankind would always be in the halting distance of each other, and love and good will would always prevail.

Last Saturday we attended a teachers' association at West Ambury. Considering the unpromising weather, it was a decided success. There have been great and decided improvements at West Ambury within our memory. When we first knew the place, it was called Hogback, and there were not more than two houses there, and a saw mill. Now there are three stores, a hotel, well kept, tannery, grist mill, church, several mechanics' shops, and a great many pleasant dwelling houses. The school is taught by Mr. John Cole, of that place, who is a teacher inside and outside too. He has about 60 pupils. The trustee, Mr. H. Davey, believes in patronizing home talent, and we believe he is little more than half right. The hospitalities of West Ambury were free, and they received the thanks of the association. We felt to say:

"The place remains, the back remains,
Its glory glowing still,"

but there were no hogs visible of the genus *femo*.

We have about 140 names of pupils on our school rolls. We are having 1000 blanks printed for the use of the teachers for the purpose of informing the parents of the standing of the children in the school; also we propose to have the standing of the children printed occasionally in the Independent. This is done for the purpose of increasing the efforts of both parent and child.

Parish, Dec. 15, 1873. OOD.

Literary Notices.

HARPER'S—for January opens with an illustrated article of unusual interest, entitled "Rambles in Martinique," by S. Carvalho. The island is generally known as the birthplace of the Empress Josephine, and has many interesting historical associations. The illustrations are numerous and beautifully executed, and the entire article, describing as it does with much literary skill a region of exceptional interest and beauty, is well entitled to its leading position in the magazine. Mr. Junius Hunt Browne's paper on "The Knights of the Red Shield" is an interesting account of the Rothschild family, and its rise from obscurity to the rank of one of the genuine great powers of Europe. It is illustrated with fourteen woodcuts. "Washington News" is a very unsatisfactory description of the way in which the news of the capital is collected and diffused throughout the press of the country. It includes some entertaining gossip concerning the old school of Washington correspondents, but it gives an incomplete idea of the new men and methods. The fidelity of its illustrations will be readily recognized by all Washington writers. Mr. M. D. Conway's popular "South Coast Saunterings" are continued, as is also Professor De Millen's serial "The Living Link." Poems by R. H. Stoddard and Bayard Taylor, stories by Miss Muloch, Justin McCarthy, and others, and a number of characteristic essays by Mr. Curtis in the Easy Chair, aid in making this an unusually attractive number.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The queen of the ladies' magazines, Godey's Lady's Book for January lies on our table crammed full of good things for the holidays. Its illustrations are unusually fine for even Godey, and its fashions, patterns, designs, etc., are, as usual, of the very best. We know of no better magazine, of its class, in America. If you want a standard fashion periodical with first class literature, subscribe for Godey's, and now is a good time.

Found at Last.

The man who sells to all alike, and the place where I can get the most for my eggs. L. G. Ballard is the man.

New arrival of Teas, splendid quality. Go and see at
32 HOOSE & COB'S.

REMEMBER

THAT
J. R. NORTON
Must not, WILL NOT, SHALL NOT, be undersold on anything in the Dry Goods line.

All best Prints for 10 cts. at
NORTON'S.

Best Sheetings in Town for 10,
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NORTON'S.

Heavy Double Shawls, \$4.50, at
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SHOOTING MATCH.—There will be a shooting match at Johnson's Hotel, Hastings, Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 24 and 25, 1873. Turkeys, geese, chickens and a fat sheep will be shot for.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY.—At Snell's Hotel, Colosse, Thursday eve., Jan. 1, 1874. Good music attendance. Tickets, \$2.00.
L. D. SNELL, Pro.

GREAT BREAK DOWN IN PRICES.—Come and see the best assorted stock of Groceries in town at
6 WADSWORTH'S.

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Collector's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the taxable inhabitants of the town of Mexico, that I, the undersigned collector of taxes in and for said town, have received the warrant for the collection of the taxes for the present year, and that I will be at the Hotel, Texas, Dec. 29th; at the Hotel, Colosse, Dec. 30th; at the Hotel, Union Square, Dec. 31st; and at the Store of Goit & Richardson, in the village of Mexico, all other days, Sundays excepted, for 30 days from the date hereof, from 9 o'clock a. m., till 4 p. m., for the purpose of receiving the payment of taxes.

Geo. A. PENFIELD, Collector.
Mexico, Dec. 19, 1873.

Auction Sale.

The undersigned will sell at public auction, Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1873, at 10 o'clock a. m., at his wagon shop in New Haven, 15 pairs of 2-horse lumber box sleighs, 10 cutters and pony sleighs, 2 pairs of pleasure bobs, 1 single buggy, a lot of neck-yokes, whiffletrees and clevises, 8-year old mare, single harness, straw cutter, and many other articles. These sleighs are all made of good and seasoned timber, and made for home trade. Remember the place, the village of New Haven, one mile south of New Haven depot.

B. T. ARMSTRONG.

HEADING AND SHINGLE BOLTS WANTED.—The undersigned will pay the highest market price in cash, for bolts delivered at their mill at the Stone Quarry. Custom work done as usual.

WM. ADAMS, JR., & E. H. KNIGHT.
Mexico, Dec. 18, 1873. 7-3m.

HAIR ARTIST.—Fannie Wilder would inform the public that she has learned to make Hair Jewelry, Pins, Earrings, Chains, Bracelets, Charms, &c., and solicits its patronage. Orders may be left at her home on Railroad St., near Emporium Hotel.

7-3m.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.—at Texas Hotel, Texas, Thursday evening, Dec. 25, 1873. Good music in attendance. Tickets \$2. S. WORDEN, Pro.

Tuesday's Syracuse Courier says: Mr. T. D. Curtis, of Utica, and Mr. Lyman, of Massachusetts, purchased yesterday, the stock of the Syracuse Standard, owned by Wm. Summers and Gen. H. A. Barnum, being two-thirds of the whole amount. Mr. Curtis is the leading editorial writer of the Utica Herald (Rep.). Mr. Lyman is said to be a practical newspaper man. It is understood that the Standard will be a straight administration journal. Major Moses Summers retains his interest.

A Reading Circle has been formed in this village and meets every Monday evening at the house of Mr. D. W. C. Peck. The meetings are informal, and the time is spent reading, conversation upon the topics introduced, and criticism. The society is not exclusive, the doors are not closed and no invitations are sent out, but all who find pleasure in such exercises and are willing to do their part in adding to the pleasure and profit of gatherings, are gladly welcomed. Thus far the meetings have been most interesting.

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PRINTS.

—Christmas one week from to-day.

—Two Troy men were sent to jail for drunkenness, at Oswego, Thursday.

—A change in the time table of the Rome and Oswego R.R., went into effect on Monday.

—Ten persons were baptized in the First (East side) Baptist church, Oswego, on Sunday evening.

—Mr. Edwin Ames, sr., offers valuable property for sale. Read what he says in another column.

—Rev. O. Parker is conducting a Union revival service in the Congregational church, Phoenix.

—A Syracuse paper says: A grand "chicken dispute" between Oswego and Onondaga counties is on the tapis.

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—The session of the Board of Supervisors closed on Friday. It is said to have been the shortest on record—seventeen days.

—According to the statement of the receivers, the earnings of the Midland road are now for the first time equal to the expenses.

—D. Farlin, of Oswego, has been appointed general freight agent of the Midland railroad, in place of H. M. Weed resigned.

Hon. Willard Johnson, of Fulton, has the contract for improvements in the Illinois river, at his proposal to do it for \$267,219.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rider attended the festival last week, in New York, celebrating the eighty-seventh birthday of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet.

Mrs. Anna C. Barnes, widow of the late John Barnes, of Brewerton, in this county, died a short time since in the 92nd year of her age.

The days are now about the shortest of the year, the 21st inst. being the last of the series of shortening days, when the day will be only eight hours and forty minutes.

The marriage of Rev. P. W. Emens, formerly pastor of the Bristol Hill church, to Miss Dada, of Syracuse, sister of S. N. Dada, Esq., of Fulton, occurred in Syracuse, last week.

The firm of Hart & Hubbard has been dissolved. Mr. Hubbard is going West, and Mr. E. Williams has taken a large interest in the business.

The Parish Public School has just had printed at this office some very neat reports of deportment, scholarship &c. The plan seems a good one and we commend it to the attention of other schools.

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